

AgOrder - Ag discharge

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As a consultant for the agricultural farming groups (vegetables and grapes) many of the Nitrate and runoff issues could be solved by requiring all fertilizer uses are signed off on by a licensed Certified Crop Advisor (CCA). These people must pass a federal and state test on nutrient and pesticide use and must have continuing education hours every year to maintain the license. Also the pesticide runoff issues may be improved with the requirement that all pesticide uses must have a recommendation written only by a Pest Control Advisor (PCA) which are also licensed by the state of California and also need continuing education requirements for license continuation.
Sincerely, Mike Hollarman